IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A method of providing data storage for a user device, the method comprising the steps acts of:

initiating a socket connection between a user device and a remote server,

providing an application interface which enables access to a virtual local storage by an application running on the user device by processing a request from the application to store auxiliary data associated with the application in the virtual local storage, and, when a storage request is received, having the auxiliary data stored on the remote server via the network.

2. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein having the auxiliary data stored includes storing a user

identification, and/or an application identification.

3.(Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1,
wherein providing the application interface includes receiving an
application request to read auxiliary data from the virtual local
storage, and, when requested, having the auxiliary data retrieved
from the remote server via the network.

4.(Previously Presented) A method of storing auxiliary data
from at least one user on a remote server that is connectable to a
user device via a network for providing storage for the user
device, the method comprising the acts of:

initiating a socket connection by a storage application in the
user device in response to a request for access to a virtual local
storage by an application running on the user device to store
auxiliary data associated with the application in the virtual local
storage,

receiving, via the network, requests for storing auxiliary
data from the application running in the user device, and, when a
storage request is received, storing the auxiliary data on the

remote server.

5.(Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein storing the auxiliary data includes storing a user identification, and/or an application identification.

6.(Previously Presented) A computer readable medium comprising computer program instructions that are executable by a processor to perform the method as claimed in claim 1.

7.(Previously Presented) A user device, comprising:

transceiver means for connecting the user device to a network,

control means for performing applications that may generate auxiliary data relating to the applications, and

processing means for executing a storage application for initiating a socket connection to a remote server via the network, and

providing an application interface which enables access to a virtual local storage by an application running on the user device by processing a request from the application to store auxiliary

data associated with the application in the virtual local storage,

and, when a storage request is received, having the auxiliary data

stored on the remote server via the network.

8.(Previously Presented) The user device as claimed in claim

7, wherein the device

comprises read means for retrieving data from a storage

medium, and

the control means are arranged for retrieving applications to

be performed from the storage medium.

9.(Previously Presented) A computer readable medium

comprising computer program instructions that are executable by a

processor to perform the method as claimed in claim 4.

10.(Previously Presented) The computer readable medium as

claimed in claim 9, further comprising computer program

instructions that are executable by the processor to generate and

transmit at least one stream of real-time information.